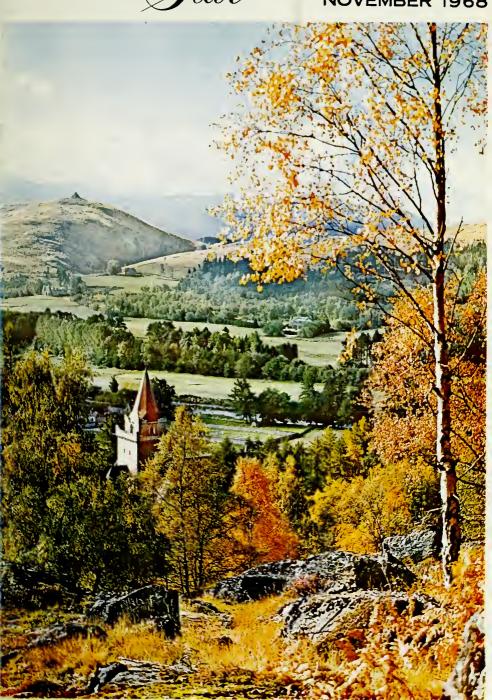


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Introducing — The British South Mission

★ The British South Mission extends from the Chiltern Hills on the north to the Southampton Docks on the south. It is an area of great beauty found in the green rolling, hills; the rivers that cut across the valleys and through the stately woods; the rocky beaches that surround this island. It is a land that whispers of the past as you explore great castles, old cottages and admire monuments honouring those who thrust their fellow men ahead with their sacrifice

It is the heart of Quaker territory and the burial place of William Penn. Cromwell's troops once tramped on these fields and left land marks of this troubled period. John Milton lived in a small village during the great plague and wrote part of Paridise Lost in a humble cottage here. One of the world's great universities as well as a most prestigious public school are within its bounds. Queen Elizabeth II is in residence part of each year in this beautiful and historic part of England.

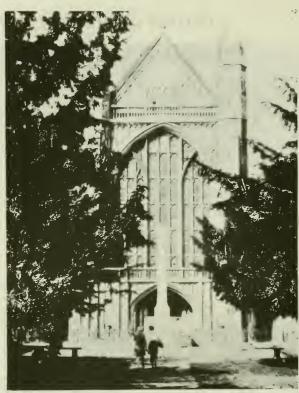
Most important, the British South Mission has well established branches of the Church with devoted members striving to preach the Gospel to all who will listen. It is a dynamic force, ever growing that has changed the lives of all its members and perhaps one day this part of England will be dotted with chapels as evidence of the impact of the Church of Jesus Christ of this Emerald Isle.



City of Oxford, home of Oxford University.



Windsor Castle



Winchester Cathedral

Southampton Docks





Pres. and Sis. J. W. Child.

Mission President, Family Have Fine Record Of Church Service

★ Pres. and Sis. J. W. Child came to preside over the British South Mission from Murray, Utah. They brought with them a fine record of Church service. Pres. Child was the president of Murray South Stake at the time of his mission call. Previously, he had been a counselor in the stake presidency, a High Council man and president of the Elders Quorum. Sis. Child had been active in all of the Church auxiliaries serving in the Primary, Sunday School, M.I.A. and Relief Society They were well prepared to come to England and direct the work of over 200 missionaries assigned to this part of the British Isles.

The Childs have two daughters. Jan, the youngest, has been with them in England but is now attending school in Salt Lake City. Their oldest Kay Child Flink, lives in Ogden, Utah with her husband. They are a family who are sports enthusiasts and particularly enjoy water skiing, snow skiing, fishing, and hunting.

Pres. and Sis. Child have found great joy in living in England and partaking of the Gospel with the Saints here.

THE MILLENNIAL STAR



Jan Child assisting her mother with the "Top Baptisers" dinner.

Home of the Mission President (front view)



MISSION CREST

BANNER: Proudly unveil to the world that we have a living Prophet on the earth today.

SHIELD: Shield of faith to quench the darts of the Adversary.

TORCH: Superimposed over the world, represents our belief in a free world and our part in keeping it free.

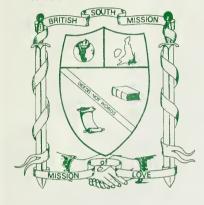
TEMPLE: Superimposed over the British Isles represents the great country in which we work.

GOLD PLATES AND SCROLLS: Represents Stick of Joseph and Stick of Judah.

THREE STRIPES: Represent Past, Present and Future.

HANDSHAKE: Represents friendship and fellowship to all.

Mission coat of arms



MISSION SONG

Hail to the British South Mission None can compare, we're glad we're here

We have a Prophets' commission
"Go to England, preach, have nothing to
fear."

Were proud of the British South Mission Faithful and true we'll ever stand Boldy proclaim to all and grateful to Answer the call to baptise the saints of this land

CHORUS

Onward we forge ahead
Forever claiming truth
Through inspiration
To parents and to youth
Yes! onward we forge ahead,
Our testimonies grow.
We'll prove what we have said,
"The British South's the greatest mission we know."

(Words by J. W. and Joan Child) (Music by Dorothy Killpack)



British South Mission Presidency, from left First Counselor, Peter Brighty; Pres.
J. W. Child and Second Counselor, Robert Cornell.



British South Mission Office Staff.

Introducing British South Mission Counselors



Peter C. Brighty and his wife Madeliene, First Counselor in the mission presidency.

★ Pres. Peter Brighty met his wife, Madeleine, while he was serving with the Grenadier Guards stationed at Windsor. They were married on Christmas Day, 1943. They have one son, David, who is married and living at Sandhurst. He is presently the branch superintendent of Sunday School in Camberly.

Sis. Brighty was baptised in April, 1963 to be followed nine months later by Peter and David. Pres. Brighty has served as branch clerk. MIA superintendent and counselor in the Windsor. Branch presidency. He was called as president of the Slough District when the British South Mission was formed and then in 1966 was sustained as Thames Valley District president. In 1967 he was called as first counselor to the mission president. Sis. Brighty presently is the Thames Valley District Relief Society president.

The Brighty's are both employed, Pres. Brighty as an office manager and Sis. Brighty as a secretary. They enjoy music, their garden, but most of all they love working in the Church.



President Robert Cornell, second counselor to the mission president, and Sister Cornell

ROBERT CORNELL

Second Counselor to the Mission President

★ Robert Cornell was recently released as the president of the Thames Valley District. He was called as Second Counselor to the Mission President at the same conference.

President and Sister Cornell are natives of Bournemouth in Hampshire where they met and married in 1949. They have three children and were all converted to the Church and baptised together in 1963. It was a great step for Sister Cornell to take as she was

a chronic asthmatic and since childhood had a fear of being submersed in water. It took many long hours of discussion and prayer before she was able to find courage to overcome these problems and be baptised. Since this time she has enjoyed improved health and counts this as one of her treasured blessings.

President Cornell is a regular soldier having joined REME in 1948. He has served in several parts of the world including Eygpt, East Africa, Singapore and Borneo. He is currently serving as a Regimental Sergent Major at Bordon in Hampshire.



Reading chapel and home of the British South Mission Office.

Mission Primary President Presented 20 Year Service Pin

★ The British South Mission proudly announces the award of a 20-year Primary Service Pin to Sally Palmer, Mission Primary president. The pin was presented at the Crawley District Conference in September by Sis. Joan Child, Mission Auxiliary supervisor.

Twenty years of devoted service is a great accomplishment, and Sister Palmer began by starting a Home Primary for her own children. The success from this early beginning and the results gained in teaching her children the Gospel have helped her in inspiring the branch Primaries throughout the mission, so that as many children as posible can have Primary and its blessings available to them. The Mission pays sincere tribute to Sister Palmer and thank her for her devoted service. She is a devoted worker at the London Temple.



Sally Palmer

Mission Superintendent Of Sunday Schools

★ Peter V. Tanner Jr. joined the church on October 22nd 1960. Since joining the church he has held several positions including assistant ward clerk and serving actively in the M.I. A. He has also served a three year building mission in both England and Ireland.

Through his efforts his parents also joined the church. His mother in December 1960 and his father in September 1961. Both are actively engaged in Church work.

In November 1966 Peter was called as a Temple Worker to the London Temple. He fulfilled this calling until his release late last year. He has also worked for the Genealogical Society here in England.

He was called to serve on the British South Mission as Assistant Sunday School Superintendent in September 1965 and there as the Mission Sunday School Superintendent in May 1966



Peter Tanner

which position he now holds.

Peter was married to Sister Carole Ann Frape in the London Temple on July 27th 1968.

As well as being actively engaged in Church work, Peter is an assistant to the General Manager at Deseret Enterprises Mitcham Surrey. His outside activities are riding, photography, and genealogy.

Mission MIA Leaders



Mission YMMIA Supt. and Mission YWMIA president Harry and Jessie Withington.

HARRY AND JESSIE WITHINGTON

Recently sustained as the Mission Leaders for the YMMIA and YWMIA are Harry and Jessie Withington. They have a family of three boys and are presently members of the Gosport Branch.

They have been very active members of the Church for many years. Sister Withington has served in the Relief Society District Presidency at Crawley and Brother Withington has been District President of the Crawley District.



FRANK AND ANN CLIFFORD

★ The British South Mission appreciates having the musical talent of Bro. Frank Clifford. He has been instrumental in forming district choirs and helping branch choirs. He is responsible for the annual Mission Music Festival and has encouraged many to perform and develop their talents.

Bro. Clifford is fortunate to have his wife, Anne, as interested in music as he is. Together they teach the Gospel through music. Sis. Clifford is responsible for the Singing Mothers of the mission. In addition they are busily engaged in Branch activities and help in the auxiliaries. They are members of the Aldershot Branch of Thames Valley District.



Olive Perry, Mission Relief Society
President.

THE BRITISH SOUTH MISSION BOARD includes:

YMMIA & YWMIA, Harry & Jessie Withington

Relief Society, Olive Perry

Primary, Sally Palmer

Sunday School, Peter Tanner

Music Director, Frank Clifford.



James E. Talmage

JAMES E. TALMAGE

By Elder Robert Hali

★ Throughout the history of the Church of Jesus Christ, we can find the writings of inspired teachers. The authors of the four gospels, Paul, Peter and James are a few of the dedicated teachers of the Gospel from the Holy Land. Revelations were given to men in the Americas like Nephi and Moroni, which gives us the evidence of the Gospel from the western hemisphere in the Book of Mormon. These men have left their religious experiences, knowledge and testimonies as a witness from their dispensation of time.

Today the Lord has restored again the Gospel of Christ in its purest and perfect form. The Lord has raised up prophets and apostles. Like the apostles of old, they leave their literary works behind to guide and influence those who follow. We learn from their books, their writings and their divinely given counsel. One of the great apostles and authors of our time was Dr. James E Talmage.

He was born in Hungerford, berkshire on September 21, 1862. It is a small village located twenty nine miles west of our mission headquarters in Reading. He was baptised and confirmed a member of the Church there on June 15, 1873. A short time later his family moved to Ramsburg, Wiltshire where he was ordained a deacon. In the spring of 1876 his entire family left their home in Ramsburg bound for Salt Lake City, Utah. They left Liverpool on May 22, 1876 and reached Utah on June 5th of the same year.



The birthplace of James E. Talmage. The original building no longer stands. Brother Talmage was born near the archway of the Three Swans Hotel, at Hungerford, Berkshire, 29 miles west of Reading.

Dr. Talmage lived a life of dedication and service in the Church. He held various leadership positions in the Provo area. In 1884 he was ordained a high priest and set apart as an alternate high counselor in the Utah State of Zion. He was later sustained a member of the Deseret Sunday School Union at a special conference of the Church on November 10, 1901, On December 8, 1911 he was ordained an apostle of the Lord Jesus Christ, and set apart as one of the Council of the Twelve Apostles under the hands of President Joseph F. Smith, assisted by his counselors and members of the Council of Twelve.

He left a large selection of literary works of the Gospel. Jesus the Christ is his most widely read volume in which he clearly and incisively explains the Church's views of the life and teachings of Christ. In The Articles of

Faith he beautifully defines the restored Gospel. The Story of Mormonism and The Apostacy and Restoration are two other well known contributions to literature about the Church that he left.

He received his primary education in the national schools at Hungerford, Berkshire and Ramsburg, Wiltshire. He was interested in geology and received his higher education in several universities in the United States. He wrote numerous articles and books from his studies and knowledge in the field of geology. He also became an educator and an administrator in several colleges and universities in Utah.

Along with his distinguished Doctorate degrees, he was chosen an delegate of the Royal Society of Edinburgh to the Seventh International Geological Conference, held in Russia, in 1897, in connection with which appointment he traversed Russia, and crossed the Ural

mountains and reached Siberia.

He received other scholastic honours, among them the following: Fellow of the Royal Microscopic Society of London (F.R.M.S.), Fellow of the Geological Society of London (F.G.S.), Fellow of the Geological Society of America (F.G.S.A.), Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh (F.R.S.E.), Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh (F.R.S.E.), Fellow of the Royal Society (F.R.S.G.S.), Fellow of the American Society of the advancement of Science; Life Associate of the Philosophical Society of Great Britain.

Four missionaries from the British South Mission, Elders Robert Hall, Marvin Stucki, Kim Samuelson & R. B. Reed found that there are many cousins and relatives of Brother Talmage left in the Hungerford and Ramsburg areas. In an interview with one of his relati-

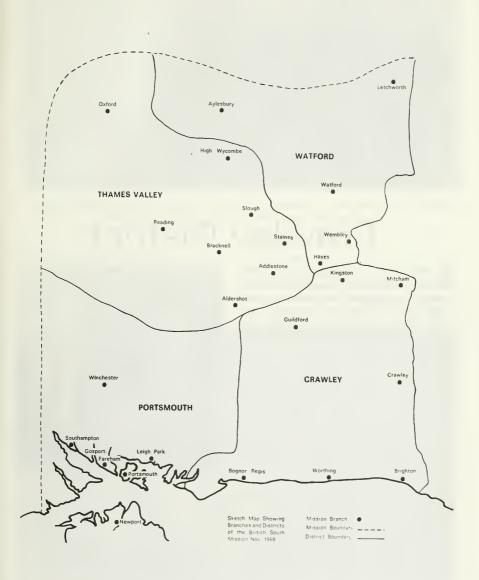
ves, Harry Talmage, many new and interesting facts were obtained concerning some of the other members of the family. He could also tell us of Dr. Talmage's birthplace. The original building no longer stands in the High Street in which he was born, but there stands two public houses in the vicinity of this building. Many of the people in Hungerford were also willing to help us learn more of Dr. Talmage's life in that area. Harry Talmage also presented us with a copy of "Jesus the Christ" that was personally signed from Dr. Talmage to his father.

We are proud of the accomplishments of this great man. He has helped many understand more fully their relationship to the Saviour and to God. We thank the Lord for men like Dr. Talmage, who will stand up and be counted.



Southampton Chapel Dedicated by Elder Spencer W. Kimball, Sept. 19, 1968.

Brian W. Newton, President of the Branch.





Crawley District Presidency with High Councilmen: Victor Palmer, John Dodd, Second Counselor: Pres. James Hart: First Counselor, Herbert Tassell: Clerk. William Lawther: Kenneth Bennett, Peter W. R. Tanner.

Crawley District

★ Pres. James Hart has been a member of the Church for the past ten years. His interest was kindled when two lady missionaries called at the Hart home and offered to teach the family the Gospel. Sister Hart was already a member but had lost contact with the Church. Even the record of her baptism had been lost. Sister Hart was again baptised at the time that their two children, Linda and Jamie, entered the waters of baptism.

Pres. Hart was baptised a year later and has been fully involved in Church leadership ever since. He served in two branches and one ward. He has been first counselor to three successive district presidents and now is President of the Crawley District.

Sister Hart has served as president of the YWMIA and president of a branch Relief Soclety. She has taught Sunday School and Is now secretary to the London Temple president and assistant matron at the Temple.



Pres. and Sis. James Hart, Crawley District.

Linda served a mission in the British Mission. She is now married to a former French missionary, Ward Rasmussen. They now have a son, Ward III. Jamie is still in school and is now studying for his "A" levels.



Bognor Regis Branch Presidency; Second Counselor, Alan Ransey; President Christopher Vranch; First Counselor, Robert Burt.

BOGNOR REGIS BRANCH

★ Bognor Regis is a seaside town. The Branch area includes Chichester, cathedral town and capital of Sussex.

It is within easy reach of the Roman Ruins at Fishbourne and many other areas of historical interest.

The Branch was organized February 14, 1964 and has a membership of 96.



Bognor Regis Branch.



Guildford Branch Members.



Clive B. Payne Guildford Branch president.

GUILDFORD BRANCH

★ Guildford is a Cathedral town and has many fine buildings and places of historic interest. The new Yvonne Arnau theatre is located alongside the river in a picturesque setting. Clive B. Payne is Branch President having served for three years. He came to Guildford from Nottingham Ward Leicester Stake where he was a Stake High Councilman. M. G. Anthony Johnson is his First Counselor.

Kingston Branch Presidency; Pres. Leslie Freeman; Clerk, Ralph Wensley.



CRAWLEY DISTRICT includes the following branches:

BRIGHTON BOGNOR REGIS CRAWLEY GUILDFORD WORTHING KINGSTON MITCHAM



Mitcham Branch Presidency; Second Counselor, Barry Grant; Pres. Anthony J. M. Classon; First Counselor, William Brock.

BRIGHTON BRANCH

★ The Brighton Branch Presidency consists of President Frederick J. Bishop, Derek Dixon, 1st Counselor, Peter Werner Strüb, 2nd Counselor; the Branch Clerk is a much travelled Armenian, John Nicholson.

The Branch, which now has over 400 members, is rapidly outgrowing its Chapel, but permission has been given for extensions to be built on to the original building; and this work is soon to commence.

Brighton is a great cultural centre. Not far from the Chapel is Sussex University and in the town can be found dramatic societies, writer's groups, museums, and every other form of recreation to stir the mind and delight the heart of civilized people.

And what of the future? The Branch hope to be the centre of a coastal stake within the next ten years.

Until then they are working towards being an integral part of a future Crawley Stake.



Brighton Branch Presidency:
Derek Dixon, 1st Counselor
President Frederick J. Bishop
Peter Werner Strüb. 2nd Counselor

Portsmouth District

★ Bro. and Sis. Frederick T. Talbot, formerly of Portsmouth District, recently immigrated to the United States. Bro. Talbot had been president of the Portsmouth district for several years. The new district president is Allen Busath.

★ Two young elders called at the home of the Talbots in the spring of 1956. It was at a time when Pres. Talbot was working away from home for a dredging firm. Sister Talbot immediately accepted the message they brought and knew it was true. In great excitement she wrote to her husband expecting him to respond in a like manner. Pres. Talbot, however, lived a good life and saw no necessity for any further religion. His wife was so persistent in expressing her testimony that he returned home to investigate.

The missionaries worked with this family for two years and Pres. Talbot said "Because of the strength and testimony of my wife and her desire that our children should be brought up in this Church, I conceded and we were baptised, the whole family together on the 9th of March, 1958." Sister Talbot had not been well for some time and the day following her baptism was taken to the hospital where she remained for five months.

Pres. Talbot was left with the care of their home and children. It was during this difficult period that his testi-

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT includes the following branches:

GOSPORT-FAREHAM
LEIGH PARK
NEWPORT-ISLE OF WIGHT
PORTSMOUTH
SOUTHAMPTON
WINCHESTER.



Pres. and Sis. Frederick T. Talbot, Portsmouth District.

mony grew and became strong. He said that prayer, living the Gospel, visiting his wife as well as the help and love offered by the Church members and missionaries fanned the spark of testimony to a strong, steady flame. Pres. Talbot was ordained an Elder in 1959 and has held responsible positions of leadership since that time.

Two of their daughters have married returned missionaries and are living in Salt Lake City. The Talbots now have three grandchildren. Gary, their only son, completed a full-time mission last year and has now joined his two sisters in Salt Lake City. Linda, at fifteen, loves the Church and contributes much through her gifts of music.

Pres. Talbot concludes "Our blessings have been too numerous to name, both spiritual and material. Our lives would be empty and meaningless without our testimonies which grow daily."



Portsmouth District Presidency; Clerk, Harry Peachock; Second Counselor, Reginald Littlecott: Pres. Allen Busath; First Counselor, Leonard Eden.



Portsmouth District Auxiliary Leaders; Brother Pretty, Sunday School Superintendent; Sis. Newton, Primary; Bro. Parrin, Sunday School; Sis. Littlecott, Primary; Bro. Tate, YMMIA; Bro. Osborne, Sunday School; Bro. Gulvin, YMMIA; Sis. Robbins, Organist.



Portsmouth District
YWMIA Presidency;
Secretary Susan Tate;
Pres. Eleanor Crook;
Second counselor,
Susan Moore.



Leigh Park Branch Presidency; Clerk, Malcolm G. Robbins; Pres. Michael John Hartley; Counselor, Laurence O. Scott.

Newport Branch Presidency Isle of Wight; Melchizedek Priesthood Advisor, Brother Banner; Branch President, Anthony Maizey; Second Counselor and Clerk, Leslie Hawkins.





Southampton Branch Presidency; First Counselor, Reginald Farrell; Pres. Brian Newton; Second Counselor, Bro. Hose; Clerk, Bro. Dyer.

WINCHESTER BRANCH

* Winchester Branch is the newest branch in the Portsmouth District. It was formed in April, 1968. Originally it was a part of the Southampton Branch but growth in membership justified forming an independent branch. William W. Steward was called as Branch President. He is a Warrant Officer in the Army Physical Training Corps. His First Counselor is H. John Tate who has been a member of the Church for over six years. Recently sustained as Second Counselor is Howe Loveland from Las Vegas, Nevada, U.S.A. He is serving the Church as a missionary with his wife. They are the parents of fourteen children and now have fifty one grandchildren.

The Winchester Branch already have a chapel as a goal. They hope to be able to build in three years and have set £150 as a target.



Winchester Branch Presidency; William Steward (former branch president); Josia Loveland (present branch president); First Counselor, John Tate (absent when photo was taken).



Elder Spencer W. Kimball as he addressed several congregations during his tour of the British South Mission.

Thames Valley District

THAMES VALLEY DISTRICT:

includes following branches:

ADDLESTONE

ALDERSHOT

BASINGSTOKE (dependent)

BRACKNELL

CAMBERLY (dependent)

HIGH WYCOMBE

NEWBURY (dependent)

OXFORD

READING

SLOUGH

STAINES



THAMES VALLEY DISTRICT

★ Organised in 1964 by combining the former Slough and Reading Districts it has experienced steady growth.

At the September 1968 District Conference, a new District President Alfred E. Haslem was sustained, with Keith Wigglesworth as first counselor and Derek Parkin second counselor. Norman Dennett continues as district clerk.

Pres. Haslem is married with three children, he and his wife Dorothy be-

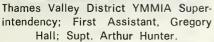
came converts six years ago since when both have served in many capacitie's. Pres. Haslem has been branch president, counselor to three district presidents, and was first counselor to President Don K. Archer when the British South Mission was formed.

Born in Liverpool, he moved to Reading 18 years ago. He is the principle of Target Press Ltd., the company which prints the Millennial Star for Deseret Enterprises.



Thames Valley District Relief Society Presidency; Secretary, Mary Lovelock; Second Counselor, Gillian Brown-Lee and Pres. Madeliene Brighty.







Moira Peacock Thames Valley District Primary president.

Thames Valley District Second Elders'
Quorum presidency;
Peter Monks, Francis
Peacock, Lewis R.
Johnson.





Thames Valley District Sunday School; Assistant Supt. C. Thompson; Secretary, Mary Bowling; Supt. Walter Woodrow.

Thames Valley District WMIA presidency; Secretary, Pat Dockrill; Pres. Winnifred Silcott; First Counselor, Betty Moyle.



ADDLESTONE BRANCH

★ Addlestone was organized as an independent branch in February, 1967. Previously it had been a dependent branch attached to Staines. The membership now tops one hundred and there is a high percentage of activity. President B. E. Green is the Branch President with J. F. Hand as his First Counselor and P. F. Myers as his Second Counselor.

The event of the year for Addlestone Branch was the marriage of two members, Terence Bleasdale and Brenda Whitehead. President Green officiated and the Relief Society organised the reception and planned and prepared the food.



Aldershot Branch Presidency; Pres. George Wagstaff; First Counselor, Derek Pike



Addlestone Branch Presidency; Pres. Bryan Green; Second Counselor, Phillip F. Myers.

ALDERSHOT BRANCH

★ Aldershot Branch encompasses the Aldershot, Farnborough and Farnham area.

Before organization of the branch in 1963, members attended Church in Guildford. Several missionary couples have laboured in the branch. The most recent being President and Sister George Wagstaff from Spokane, Washington.

Aldershot is the home of the British Army and some of the branch membership is made up of members of the armed forces who are stationed in the area.



Bracknell Branch Presidency; Second Counselor, Robert Blackwood; President, William Boome; First Counselor, Lewis Johnson.



Presiding Elder of Basingstoke Branch, Edward Bardsley: Presiding Elder of Newbury Branch, Gary Hartle.

HIGH WYCOMBE BRANCH

★ High Wycombe is a busy, industrial town which lies in the valley between two hills forming part of the Chiltern Range, Well known to many who use the A 40 route to the west country and Wales, the town is at present undergoing a massive redevelopment programme in the town centre and will benifit from a reduction of traffic when the new M 40 route has been completed.

The members of the Church in High Wycombe are led, by President "Bill" Brown-Lee, a business man, who only arrived in this area in December last year from the Worcester Branch of the Central British Mission where he was a member of the Midlands West District Presidency, President Brown-Lee also serves the Church in the capacity of a director of Deseret Enterprises Ltd.

First Counselor is Alvin D. Rickers who is a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S.A.F. based in High Wycombe, The Air Force Base is an added source of strength to the branch. Brother Rickers has served the Church in many capaci-



Dennie Carbine. Camberly presiding



High Wycombe Branch Presidency; Pres. William Brown-Lee: First Counselor. Alvin Rickers

ties in many areas of the world. He and his family contribute much to the progress of the Branch.

Second Counselor is Thomas O'Connell, a senior instructor with the Thames Valley Motor Bus Company. He has not been a member of the Church for very long, but his fine testimony and diligence to his calling endear him to everyone in the Branch, particulary the children with whom he achieves a wonderful rapport.

High Wycombe is a growing branch

that is driving hard towards a building of its own.

There is fine leadership in every auxilary achieving that rare combination spiritual and practical appreciation which must be the aim of every Mormon Community.

Asked what is the most important contribution being made in this Branch, President Brown-Lee said "Probably the fellowshipping programme. Immediately after baptism we undertake a complete

fellowshipping programme which permits us to come close to and love our new members. We come to know their strengths and employ them; understand their weaknesses and assist them to overcome them. By the time the fellowshipping programme is complete our new members are well adjusted to their new way of life and contributing to our mutual progress. Our aim is to never lose a member through lack of love and understanding."



Oxford Branch Presidency; Clerk, Larry Mecham; President, Leon Clay; Second Counselor, Nicholas Allnott.



Former Reading Branch Presidency; Clerk, John Powell; Counselor, Raymond Knight; President, Keith Wigglesworth; Clerk, Peter Rowe.



New Reading Branch Presidency; First Counselor, Robert Silcott; Clerk, John Powell; Pres. Roger Jones; Clerk, Gerald Portch; Second Counselor, Peter Rowe.

READING BRANCH

★ The Reading Branch was first organized in the early 1870's For years the saints there met together until their ranks were so depleted by emigration to the states, that it was closed. It was reopened after World War II and has been growing in membership and strength since. Three years ago the Reading chapel was completed in Tilehurst, Reading. It was dedicated in September, 1967 by James A. Cullimore, Assistant to the Council of Twelve. It now has a full programme with all auxiliaries functioning.

Keith Wigglesworth has been the Branch President for the past two years. He was recently released and called to be a counselor in the District Presidency. Robert E. G. Jones has been called as the new Branch President with Robert Silcott as First Counselor and Peter Rowe as Second Counselor.

SLOUGH BRANCH

★ Slough Branch was first organized in 1961, but the Slough Branch of today is the result of an amalgamation of the old Slough and Windsor Branches which took place in July 1968.

Encompassed within the boundaries of

the branch are the three towns of Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead. Slough is a large town in the south of Buckinghamshire. It is an industrial centre and celebrated as the place where Sir William Aerschel made his many astronomical discoveries. On the outskirts of the town is Stoke Poges, scene of Thomas Grays "Elegy in a Country Churchyard" and the lovely Burnham Beeches. Near to Slough on the Buckinghamshire bank of the Thames, is Eton College.

Windsor, with its grey towers and



Slough Branch Presidency; Ffrst Counselor, Patrick Hayes; Pres. George Denham.

battlements reflected in the waters of the Thames, the royal palace of Windsor Castle stands like a sentinel against the ageless sky. The Windsor Great Park is noted for its long walk, a magnificent avenue nearly three mîles long which leads towards Virginia Water, a picturesque artifical lake. To the left of the castle lies what is left of Windsor forest. Also nearby is the beautiful John F. Kennedy Memorial.

Maidenhead is situated on one of the most beautiful reaches of the Thames. A favourite angling resort, it also provides delightful boating. The are has many beautiful parks which provides ample opportunities for walking boating, riding, and fishing.

The branch has strong ties with the Bielefield Branch in the Central German Mission. This summer a party of young people and adults spent two weeks in the homes of the Bielefield Branch and upon leaving were presented a beautiful plaque of the city of Bielefield. Next summer a party are planning to visit Slough for two weeks,

when we hope to return the great love and hospitality which was shown us.

At the present time we have started a project to raise funds for our building programme. We are having Church Historical calenders printed which we hope to sell throughout the Mission Field.

George P. Denham serves as Branch President. He was baptised in 1958 with his family. They came from the Sunderland District in what was then the British Mission. He has worked for the Church building department and has served in several branch presidencies

Patrick Hayes, First Counselor was born in the Republic of Ireland. He came to England in 1952. He was married in 1953 and ten years later joined the Church with his family.

David J. Wilson, Branch Clerk has been a member of the Church for nearly three years. He has served in the Sunday School and as First Counselor in the Windsor Branch Presidency.



THE DUDLEY FAMILY

★ In May of 1968 the family of William and Hilda Dudley and their 10 children came into the Church. It was a joyous occasion not only for them and for the two elders who brought them the gos-

pel, but also for the Kingston Branch in the Crawley District.

The children are: Ann, 18, Timothy, 15, John, 14, June 12, James, 11, Trudy, 9, Lynne, 8, Paul, 6, Clare, 5, and Jennifer, 2.



Staines Branch Presidency; Brother Walter Fisher, Eric J. Rowland, Larry Hamilton

STAINES BRANCH

★ The Staines Branch is located on the outskirts of greater London stretching to the borders of Great Windsor Park. It is a beauty spot of the area and ideal for the "Bank Holiday Picnics" often held there. The Branch was formed in 1961 as a dependent branch on Slough and within a year became in-

dependent. The membership is now 113.

Eric Rowland serves as Branch President with Larry Hamilton and Walter Fisher as his counselors. The Rowlands have been members of the Church for seven years and joined while President Rowland was with Her Majesties Forces in Colchester, Essex. They have two children, Sharon and Allan.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF KNOWLEDGE "No amount of knowledge, of inspiration and testimony as to the divinity of the work of God will be of benefit to us unless we put that knowledge into actual practice in the daily walks of life. It is not the amount that any individual may know that will benefit him and his fellows; but it is the practical application of that knowledge."

—Heber J. Grant

A Time For Living

1st PLACE, British South Mission Relief Society Poetry Contest 1968

The sun's rays creep across the frozen ground, Chasing away the fleeing frounds of mont. Loosing the icy band round each grass blade, And warming it with morning's generous light. Now, as in welcome to the early spring, Thrushes and warblers sing in accents clear, Beneath the shivering earth the snowdrops stir, There is a whisper, "Spring is nearly here." Next pussy willow buds begin to swell, And nodding lambs'-tails gambol in the breeze, Gay daffodils dance lightly to and fro, Beneath the tracery of young birch trees.

Is summer here or is it still the Spring?
The cuckoo cries, the nightingale doubt sing,
The owl hoots, the apple blossom fails.
The garden welcomes, and the country calls.
The hesitating rose unfolds a flower,
The young birds test their first slight flying power,
The grass grows long, the pansy faces smile,
And Nature seems to feel herself on trial.
The clematis is budding on the wall,
Authoritia in profusion covers all
The rocky places, and the song-birds fly
To herald England's summer, in the sky.

too can herald summer in my turn,
And use the long light evenings to learn
About my Father's way, and serve him well,
For autumn comes too soon, to break thy spell.
When winter follows on so cold and drear,
the time my work should finish will be near,
then must i rest, as flowers, for Thy Spring,
When Thou shalt reign, as our most glorious King.

—Sister Gillian G. Brown-Lee, High Wycombe Branch
Thames Valley District

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Watford District



Watford District Presidency; from left to right, Bro. Victor L. McDaniel, district clerk; Pres. Mike MacDonald, First Counselor: Pres. Daniel R. Howells, district president; Pres. Robert N. Radtke Second counselor.

WATFORD DISTRICT includes the following branches:

AYLESBURY HAYES LETCHWORTH WATFORD WEMBLEY.

★ The Watford District were happy to welcome and sustain Daniel Reese Howell as the district president at a recent district conference. Pres. Howell is an assistant architect for the Aylesbury Council and lives with his wife and two children, Stephen and Susan at Aylesbury. They attend the Alyesbury Branch where they have been active members since their baptism five years ago.

Pres. Howell's first contact with the Church was at the age of five when he heard a teacher express her testimony of the Gospel. This so impressed him that in later years he remembered this incident and recognised that this person had been a Latter-day Saint. His interest in religion continued throughout his growing years he joined the Congregational Church and taught Sunday School and took an interest in

Moral Re-armament.

The war years found Pres. Howell serving his country in the Middlesex Regiment and then as staff officer in 160 Brigade Headquarters of the 53rd division in the Rhine Army. He was ever searching for the true church and did all in his power to prepare for "that day."

Sister Howell was born in Newport. She met and married Dan Howell when he came as a young man to stay at her mother's home. In 1962 the missionaries came to the Howells. It was Dan who first answered the call of his Father in Heaven. Mauren soon followed. They have been devoted, active, contributing members of the Church since this time holding many positions of responsibilty and serving diligently. They have enjoyed many blessings and truly live to magnify their callings in the Church.



Watford District Relief Society Presidency; First Counselor, Ida Radtke; Pres. Jean Oliver; Secretary, June Sivers.

Bible Cake

½ lb	Judges 5 v 25 (Last Clause)
½ lb	Jeremiah 6 v 20
1 Tablespoon	I Samuel 14 v 25
3	Jerimiah 17 v 11
1 lb	1 Samuel 30 v 12
1 lb	Nahum 3 v 12 (Chopped)
2 ozs	Numbers 17 v 8 (Blanched and chopped)
1 lb	1 Kings v 22
	2 Chronicles 9 v 9 (Season to taste)
	Leviticus 2 v 13 (A pinch of)
1 Teaspoon	Amos 4 v 5
3 Tablespoons	Judges 4 v 19

N.B. Leaven means Baking Powder:

Beat 1, 2, and 3 to a cream: add 4 one at a time: still beating. Then add 5, 6, 7, and beat again: Add 8, 9, 10, and 11 having previously mixed them and last add number 12.

To save you doing any research see page 72 for ingredients.

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Watford District Primary Presidency; Celia G. Smith, Pres. (centre); Counselor, Carol Christofferson; Counselor, Jean Henderson.



Watford District Elders Unit Leader, Kenneth Jex.



Watford District MIA; Supt. of YMMIA, Frederick C. Fox; Pres. of YWMIA, Mary Fox



Aylesbury Branch Presidency; First Counselor, William Self; Pres. Allan Henderson; Second Counselor, William Orford; Clerk, Kenneth Gibbs.



Aylesbury Branch Officers and Teachers.



Pres. and Sis. Daniel R. Howell, of Watford District.

FROM NOW ON . . .

3rd Place British South Mission Relief Society Poetry Contest 1968

My beart is filled with new resolve

To strive a little harder,
To pave the way for little feet.

Least they should tend to wander.

Along the paths that lead to tears,
Lost hopes regrets and heartaches.

To help her know that Thou art kind.

Forgiving, not upbraiding,
That Heavenly Father loves her and
He sent His Son as Saviour,
So she and all those precious souls
This world is truly blest with,
May reunite in Heaven above,
With Him to live forever,
And what has broughtthis earnest hope.
This joy this longing too?
To one who needs by daily help.
A toddler eard, "I love you!"

by Veronica Biagrove
Oxford Branch, Thames Valley District

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Letchworth Branch officers and teachers.



Watford Branch Presidency; Presiding Elder Cecil Burk; Clerk, Elder Schoenfeld.



Wembly Branch Presidency; Pres. Ronald Askew; Second Counselor, J. Drieghton; First Counselor, B. Gell; Branch Clerk, T. Martin are not pictured.



Letchworth Branch Presidency; Pres. Berry, First Counselor, Elder R. B. Reed.

WEMBLY BRANCH

★ The Wembly Branch meets in Wembly near the Stadium and pool. It is located close to the famous Harrow school, as well. It was organized in 1962 by the missionaries in Harrow and grew so rapidly that it was divided into Wembly and Hayes branches. Ronald Askew was called to serve as Branch President in 1966 and with Bro. B. Gell and Bro. J. Drieghton as his counselors.

RECIPES FOR YOU

GUY FAWKES RECIPES

★ Try these recipes for your Guy Fawkes celebration. They can all be prepared the day before so that "Mum" misses none of the excitement from sparklers, rockets and pin wheels. The mince roll can be warmed in a moderate oven during the festivities and served outdoors or in with equal success. Serve crisp, raw carrot and celery sticks and finish your meal with assorted cakes and biscuits.

SAVOURY MINCE ROLL



Ingredients:

- 1 lb minced steak
- 4 oz chopped prunes (optional)
- 4 oz chopped bacon
- 4 oz chopped onion
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
- 2 teaspoons thyme

Salt and pepper to taste

Egg for glazing

1 lb suet crust pastry



Mix thoroughly steak, prunes, bacon, cnion and herbs. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Roll out suet crust. Cut into large rectangle and spread with filling. Damp edges of pastry, roll up and place upside down in large loaf tin. Cut slits for steam to escape. Decorate with pastry leaves made from trimmings. Bake in hot oven for thirty minutes till set. Remove from tin, glaze with egg and continue cooking for twenty or thirty minutes.



Method:

Warm the mixing bowl. Place flour, sugar, cocoa and butter in the bowl and mix well. Add the egg and milk and mix again to form a stiff dough. Stir in the nuts, coarsely chopped, and bake in a 8 x 9 inch cake tin at 375° for 15-20 minutes. Cut into squares while warm and dust with icing sugar.



SUGAR COOKIES

8 oz self-raising flour 6 oz sugar 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind Juice of ½ lemon 4 oz butter

Method:

Cream the butter and sugar until light and creamy. Add the lemon rind and juice and then the flour, a spoonful at a time Mix well. Press the dough into one ball and wrap in greaseproof paper. Chill in the refrigerator for about 1 hour. Roll out on a floured board to about ½" thickness, sprinkle with sugar and cut into fancy shapes with cookie cutters. Bake on ungreased sheets at 400° for 8 minutes. Allow to cool and ice and decorate or sandwich together with butter cream.

CHOCOLATE PINWHEELS

6 oz self-raising flour

4 oz butter or margarine

4 oz sugar

1 egg yolk

1 teaspoon vanilla

pinch of salt

1 tablespoon cocoa

2 tablespoon milk



Method:

Beat butter and sugar until pale and creamy. Add the egg yolk and vanilla and mix until well blended. Mix in half the flour with the salt, then the milk, then the remaining flour. Divide the mixture into two, putting half aside on a plate. Add the cocoa to the mixture remaining in the bowl and beat thoroughly. Keeping the vanilla and chocolate mixtures separate, allow them to rest, preferably in the refrigerator, until firm enough to roll out. Roll the two pieces of dough on a well floured board, into the same sized rectangles, about 1/8" thick. Carefully place the vanilla sheet on top of the chocolate and roll up lengthwise as for a Swiss roll. Wrap the roll in foil or grease-proof paper and chill for several hours in the refrigerator. Slice into \(\frac{1}{2}\)" slices with a sharp knife and bake on an ungreased tray in a hot oven 400° for 7 minutes.

Note: When rolled and wrapped, the mixture may be kept 3-4 days in the refrigerator or 6 months in a deep freezer.



Wembley Branch officers and teachers.



Watford Branch officers and teachers.



Hayes Branch Presidency; Branch Clerk, Sidney Farrow; Pres. Ivan Haynie; First Counselor, Peter Oliver.

HAYES BRANCH

★ Hayes Branch was organised six years ago as a small dependent branch of Slough meeting at Uxbridge. It is now an independent branch with about 300 members meeting at the American Air Force Base at West Ruislip. There is an active membership with a fine balance between American and English members forming a happy, co-operative unit.

The branch president, Ivan Haynie

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was born in the Church and served a mission in Mexico. He was set apart as a Seventy in 1965 by Elder John Longden. He is assisted by Peter Oliver as First Counselor who has been a member for only a year.

The meetings are occasionaly interupted by the sound of aircraft landing at nearby London Airport. The Hayes Branch is also close to Ruislip Lido, renowned to water skiers as the place where World Championship standard of skiing can be seen.

Something Wanted Still

2nd Place British South Mission Relief Society Poetry Contest 1968

Esther Lawther, Crawley, District

I ask of earth no more than this,
A little of her wealth.
Some place of blessed peacefulness,
A plentifide of health.
And then but this is more of heaven,
That someone's love to me be given.

Some other things I'd wish but these Are quite a common need.
A quiet retreat wherin at ease,
To sit and muse and read;
And then Ah! yes I'd wish to share,
My joy with someone sitting there.

A few good friends to meet at times, and talk of olden days.
With joke and jingling of rhymnes
And such like pleasantries.
And then Ahl yes I'd like to see
The smile of someone close to me.

To music still I would aspire,
And give allegiance strong.
And pledge unquenchable desire,
In memorable song.
If in my praise I might combine.
Some voice in harmony with mine.

I know that in my humble way, The things the world holds good. The Garish lust of luxury, Were foreign to my mood, Sufficient if I'd but possess. The luxury of one caress.

Faithful Couple Recall Experiences Through The Years

By George and Mary Laycock

* Memories what can they mean to us? As we reflect on incidents that have taken place since our youth we have sincere and happy memories of what we think are basic to what we have been able to do as members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints. For we both recall with gladness in our hearts the occasion that a Patriarch came to this island in the year 1934 and gave us our patriarchal blessing. He told us many things, some of which have come to pass and many things which would take place if we continued faithful. One thing he did stress at the very beginning was that the Gospel of the Saviour would be here in its fulness and if we would take counsel and do all those things which the Lord desired of us, then all would be well. How true and how grateful we both are for this gift of knowing that a guideline has been given us so we may know just what to do.

Here in England, many years ago, we did not have Primaries and the Mutual Improvement organisations functioning as they are today, but we do vividly remember the first M.I.A. convention which was held at Kidderminster and also the wonderful time which was had by everyone present. The sports, the dancing, the general session and assembling of the youth, before we returned home, also the singing of "Come, Come Ye Saints" conducted by Doctor Russell. This was done in the large darkened hall and all we could see, was the movement of a tlny light

which was installed in the end of the baton. To us it represented the light of the Gospel, in a world of darkness and it carried with it the urge to follow its distinctive beckoning through to a goal of achievements.

In 1937, another M.I.A. convention was held at the sports stadium in Rochdale, Lancashire and the principal quest was none other than the Prophet. President Heber J. Grant. To me, was alloted the task of representing the British youth of M.I.A. and to present to the Prophet the flag of England, What a thrill it was, and what gladness filled our hearts, for there standing with him on the rostrum was President J. Reuben Clark, Jr., George D. Piper (superintendent of the Deseret Sunday Schools) Sister Ruth May Fox, president of the Womens M.I.A. and Elder Ezra Taft Benson.

In 1934, I was called to be the first English district president and some years later, the first English president of the Quorum of Elders. This included Leeds, Sheffield and Hull Districts. Sister Laycock and I cherish the happy memories, not just because of the calling but because of the love and support given us by the wonderful brethren and loving sisters with whom we worked. We would like to say once more that we loved them all and still do.

One great joy came to us when Sister Laycock was called to work on the British Mission Relief Society Board. This she did for nine years and we know now that that was where the Lord

George and Mary Laycock.

needed her, for her blessing tells her that she would be a counselor amongst the sisters, young and old.

In 1959 was another great day in our log of remembrances, for we were called to come to the Temple and share in the privileges which are afforded to all who work and labour in this Holy House. Two years later the Church purchased a building to which the Temple visitors may come and stay overnight and it was our assignment to manage this work. The memories are many fold. We have seen sons and daughters of missionaries whom we remember that were here on their missions. They were not then married, but remained faithful teachers to their families and have helped their children do the work of the Lord.

In the year 1916, Mary and I were baptised and confirmed by an Elder Worthlin. He came to visit us recently. What we talked about was the past and you can imagine the tears of joy which we all shared together on that most

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memorable occasion. Yes, memories do live. They are teachers for the future, adjusters and directors to the living of better, bigger and fuller lives. They are, to a great extent, target setters, barometers, lift's fulcrum adjustors and more than anything else, they are the picture of a life past.

As long as the good Lord needs us. we will be there waiting, watching and humbly accepting the rallying call to service for we love to work with Him and not against Him. It is here at the Temple and at Edenbrook that many hours of joy have been had. We treasure the memory of all the wonderful saints who have made great sacrifices so that they could come to the Lord's house and do the work for so many who have passed on. These good folks are memory builders too and the future will bring them happy memories. We believe that their greatest joy will be when they meet with those for whom they have done so much. Let us, therefore, "Seek first the kingdom of God" and by so doing become added upon. that our lives will reflect the true and valued purpose of trying to live righteously.

May we, close this part of our chapter so far lived by expressing this thought:

O memory, without thee
Our lives would be empty,
Our working hours
Would have no hope,
Our balance would be unsteady,
God our Father give us strength
Like unto thee,

To build our lives with sweet memory. (George and Mary Laycock are the British South Mission's beloved Senior Citizens. They are at present supervising the Bureau of Information at the London Temple.)

"And When Ye Shall Receive These Things"

1st Place-British South Mission Short Story Contest 1968 Relief Society

By Margaret L. Phelps, Southampton Branch

★ Emily May fumbled in her purse for the correct fare. Her hands, stiff with arthritis, refused to manipulate the coins. At last, in triumph, she produced the correct money to give to the patiently waiting conductor, and he smiled down at her benevolently.

As the bus continued its journey, Emily May settled back in her seat and became lost in thought. Was it only this morning that the letter came about the new flat? She had hurried down to the council offices to find out all about it and couldn't believe that it had happened. They were going to pull down her old cottage and move her to a new housing estate.

What about her garden? She could see the workman's boots trampling down her carefully planted bulbs and precious primroses. The rose bushes never bloom this summer, or any other now. All this was to go and for her it would be a luxury flatlet.

"Luxury", she startled herself at saying this word out loud and quickly looked around to see if anybody was giving her strange looks, but no, everyone was too preoccupied with their own thoughts. "Anyone for Redleigh Post Office?" the conductor's voice called along the bus.

"Yes, me." Emily May hadn't realised she was at her destination and had to jump up quickly, an embarrassed look on her face, as she felt people watch her move slowly along towards the platform to disembark.

"I'm terribly sorry not to have got up sooner."

"That's all right, lady, we've got all day," and the bus conductor took her arm and descended the platform with her to the pavement.

She took from her bag the crumpled piece of paper with the directions that the man at the Council Offices had given her and she made her way along the wide white pavements, feeling strange and alien.

Eventually, she found the block of flats where her future home was situated and looked up at the massive construct, on in awe and apprehension. Then her sharp, blue eyes narrowed. Her face, with skin like wrinkled paper, became set and, bracing her shoulders, she marched across the flagged courtyard as best as she could manage.

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Once inside, the automatic lift was the next obstacle and she surmounted this by waiting for another person to arrive on the scene and explain the workings of that particular marvel of man's invention.

A few seconds later and the door of her flat was before her. It was clean and bright with pale distempered walls, tiled floors and large picture windows. It was not quite so bad as Emily May had imagined but she felt out of place within the walls of this building.

For a while she stood contemplating the bareness of it all, her feelings surging inside of her, feelings of despondency and loneliness. Then, holding on to the wooden surround of the fire place, she eased herself to the floor and poured out her heart to the only one who could possibly understand.

"Dear God, why couldn't things have been left as they were, just for a little while longer, I would so much have liked to spend my last days in the home that John and I made together, We had so many happy times there, sad times to when the news came that our two sons had been killed in the war. All my life has been wrapped up in that cottage and now it is to be pulled down, why? Oh, why?"

Emily May knelt silently with her head bowed, the sun shining on her diminutive body. The time slipped by and she still knelt there, somehow she was at peace and felt near to her Heavenly Father. Her thoughts sped back over the years and she could hear the words that her Father had spoken so long ago, when she failed to win a ribbon for pony events in the local gymkhana.

"Now, Emily May, don't get so upset. Things don't always go the way you expect or want them. Sometimes we fail in things when we have tried our best and sometimes it seems that we have troubles heaped upon us. But the

Lord works in a strange way and most of these things turn out for the best".

"Yes," thought Emily May, "Who am I to expect the world to revolve around me, and anyway, as Father used to say, the Lord sometimes works in a strange way and I may yet see the reason for things happening as they have."

With these thoughts she began to rise from her knees. It was a very painful process after kneeling in one position for so long but she was compensated by the peace that now filled her mind.

It was one week later that Emily May moved her belongings to her new home, and it was while she was standing in the corridor near the lift, that she first saw the two young men. They had come from one of the flats further along the passageway and a young lady, who must have been the occupier, was seeing them to the lift. It was she who spoke.

"Oh, are you just moving in? I expect you could do with some help".

"Well, yes" said Emily May, very dubiously.

"Perhaps we could help you get your furniture in place". It was the taller of the two young men who spoke and Emily noticed that he had an American accent.

"Well, I was worrying about how to get everything straight, and my arthritis does make things difficult. Yes, I would be very pleased with your help".

She was quite surprised at herself, inviting complete strangers into her home, but they had such open faces and she really did need the help.

In no time at all things were beginning to look tidier, although still rather bare. The helpers were wonderful company and kept her laughing the whole time. As she was putting out the photographs of her late husband and sons, she went to call one of the younger

men from the other room and realised that she didn't know his name.

"Do you realise, I don't know any of your names."

At this invitation they began telling her about themselves. The taller of the two men spoke and it seemed that his name was Elder Jameson and he came from Salt Lake City to England on a two year mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The second man's name was Elder Thomas from California. His parents had gone there from Wales when he was a baby, and he was also a missionary.

The lady from along the corridor was Sister Jean Tanner and she was also a member of the same church. The elders had just been visiting her when they all met.

Emily May was a little stunned for a while, when she realised that they were 'Mormons'. All those stories that she had heard about them came pouring into her mind but somehow she couldn't feel any fear in the company of these young people, but she didn't particularly want to get involved with such a strange set of people, either. Elder Thomas spoke.

"Would you like to know more about the Church, Mrs Cross?" "Oh, no, no, I'm to old to change my ways now, but thank you for all your help, it really has been appreciated."

They didn't press her any further but just continued to clean and tidy up as though nothing had happened and when finished they left with a cheerful goodbye.

It wasn't until about an hour later that Emily May found the book with the pamphlets inside. She was about to take them down to Jean Turner, when she noticed the words written inside the cover.

Dear Sister Cross,

If you take time to read these things I'm sure you will find them interesting and if you pray about them, you will know of their truth.

Elder Thomas & Jameson

She banged the books down onto the sideboard as though they were red hot and refused to take any further notice of them. Sometimes, though, when dusting the pictures of her family. she would become tempted to take just a little look, but not anything more than that. Somehow they bothered her, so she decided to tuck them away in a cupboard. However, they still played on her mind. Sometimes at night, before going to sleep, she would think about the young men that had helped her and the books that they left that were hidden away in the linen cupboard. She would declare to herself that they probably knew no more than any other religion and had no more to offer and turn over and go to sleep.

Emily May had always been a devout Church goer in her youth and it was at church that she met her husband. They were married in the little village church not far from her old home and it was in the same building that their two sons had been christened, John first, named after his father, of course, and David next, named after his grandfather.

They were beautiful babies and grew into fine young men. At the outbreak of war, when both of them voluntered, she often thought of what life would be like if one of them was lost, but little evisaged losing both.

Those were sad days for Emily May and John. They naturally turned to God and the church for comfort. In their prayers together they found peace in God but there were many questions that

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needed answers. It was to their local vicar that they went. He was a good man and did his best in giving them the little information he possessed about life after death, but he knew this was inadequate. His parting words had been.

"I'm so sorry I can't be of more comfort to you. Sometimes I feel it would be wonderful to have someone on the earth who really knew all the answers, a Prophet or something."

After this Emily May and John went to church less frequently until they stopped all together, but they always kept up their prayers.

Emily May awoke to a beautiful bright morning. Her thoughts were happy and at peace, for she had been dreaming about John.

He had been sitting at a large desk, bent over his work and she had crept up behind him and kissed the back of his neck, he turned, smiling, and she noticed what he was doing, reading a book, the same book that was tucked away in her cupboard.

"Just coincidence", she said to herself "It must have been a culmination of thoughts".

Jean Turner had continued to call on Emily May to make sure that she was all right and see if she needed anything, and today was one of her usual days for calling.

"Hello, Mrs. Cross, is there anything I can help you with this morning?"

"Thank you, my dear, for calling. There are one or two things that I need from the shop. Come in a minute".

As Emily May sorted out her money and wrote down the things that were needed, she took note of Jean's face, somehow it seemed even more happy and radiant than usual.

"You're looking very happy today, Jean Dear, something special happened?"

"Oh, I should say so," her voice bubbled with excitement, "My husband and I were married for time and all eternity yesterday and I'm still walking on air."

Emily May stopped what she was doing and turned a puzzled face towards Jean and she, realising that what she was talking about was all new to Emily May, began to explain.

It was much later that Jean eventually left for the shops.

Emily May was sitting in her favourite chair looking fondly on the faces of her husband and sons. In her mind she went over the events of the last few weeks. Could it be that she now had the reason why, the answer to her prayers? Were Jean and those two Young elders the reason she had come to this new home?

A few minutes later, when Jean came back from the shops, she found Emily May with her grey head bent intently over a book, a book that began:

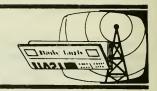
"I Nephi, having been born of goodly parents".

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

"The limit of my power is the limit of my knowledge and understanding; if I can extend the scope of these, I can grow in power, because truly, knowledge is power."

—Albert E. Bowen

NEWS



SOUTHWEST BRITISH MISSION

★ The WESTON-SUPER-MARE Branch annual M.I.A. Volley Ball Tournament is growing in pepularity, and more than 100 people took part this year compared with only 40 last year. Teams came from as far afield as Derby, 150 miles to the North, and Plymouth, 100 miles to the West.

Other teams were from Yeovil and Bristol. The home team won the three main awards, namely two challenge shields and a challenge cup, for men's group, mixed group and junior mixed group. The latter shield was inaugurated this year. Previously Derby held the man's cup.

Weston Y.M.M.I.A. Supt. Clive Jones said afterwards, that the standard of play had been so high that next year it will be necessary to have professional referees. The day ended with dancing under floodlights on the Weston Chapel lawn, attended by more than 50 people.

HOLIDAY OUTING WAS HUGE SUCCESS

★ Burley in the famed New Forest of Hampshire, was the spot chosen for a highly successful Bank-Holiday-Monday outing organised by the Presidency of the BOURNEMOUTH Branch. Sixty members travelled by car and coach to enjoy themselves on a day which threatened heavy rains at the start, but which failed to dampen the enthusiasm of the party. The enthusiasm was well founded for soon after camp was staked the skies cleared into a warm breezy, sunny afternoon.

Activities included games, cricket,

and a well supported football match which tested the stamina of brothers and sisters alike. Lost energy was soon replenished with hot-dogs cooked over an open fire under the able supervision of Brothers Birch and Gerrard.

The soft rays of the evening sun fingered downwards, and the saints sang favourite songs and hymns as they returned home through the heather and gorse-lined roads of the forest. It was a most notable outing, a time of close happy companionship and a perfect end to a lovely day.

SOMERSET DISTRICT

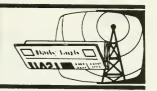
★ Two short plays by the Street and Weston-super-Mare Branches were presented at the Somerset District Relief Society social. Bro. Daniel C. A. Kimberley, of Yeovil Branch, read his own poems honouring the Relief Society. Earlier Sis. Ivy Marsh had organised games.

After the social Pres. Norman T. Woodhead, district president, congratulated District Relief Society president, Sis. Laura M. Bridgwater, and her courselors for their stirling work in the Relief Society in the district.

TEMPLE

★ Eight young people from the Somerset District attended the London Temple recently for baptismal work. This was the first time a district in the Southwest British Mission had taken eight young people to the temple for this work.

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FATHERS

★ A number of fathers and sons took part in the Somerset District Y.M.M.I.A. Fathers and Sons Camp on the edge of Exmoor. Hiking and eating comprised most of the activities which were under the leadership of Bro. Christopher Allen, of Yeovil, who was also chief cook.

The hiking highlight was a walk through the beautiful Vale of Holford, led by Brother Clive Jones, of Weston-supermare. Seventeen members of the Weston M.I.A. took part and it proved an eventful day for eight of them. They missed the transport home and had to walk about 16 miles in the dark.

Andrew Hancock conducted the meeting.

After the Bishop's opening remarks, two former building missionaries Bro. Denning and Peter Witcherley bore their testimonies. Then the Ward Choir sang "This House we Dedicate to Thee", conducted by Stanly Peacock. Stake Pres. Fredrick W. Oates and North British Mission President Lenard D. Robison both spoke before Elder Kimball gave his address and offered the prayer of dedication.

★ Forty-five HARTLEPOOL saints held a bus outing on Sept 2nd, first visiting



Newton Aycliffe Chapel dedicated by Elder Spencer W. Kimball on Sept. 11, 1968.

SUNDERLAND STAKE NEWTON AYCLIFFE CHAPEL DEDICATED

★ Elder Spencer W. Kimball, of the Council of the Twelve, presided at the dedicatory service of the NEWTON AYCLIFFE Chapel on 11th Sept.; Bishop

Castle Howard, and then continuing on to Bridlington where they enjoyed a chicken dinner with pineapple and ice cream for dessert. Later in the day they visited Whitby and took a trip round the harbour to see the lights.

The branch Primary children had a

good week in September which included a party and a picnic trip to Crimdon Dene. The latter was organised by Ann Helps, and they enjoyed games which included sack, potato, and wheelbarrow races.

★ Marjorie Marsh, the Stake M.I.A. Drama Director, was responsible for the organisation when Newcastle, Sunderland, Hartlepool, Middlesborough and Gateshead participated in the play "Let it Rain", at the Stake Centre on Sept 7th.

The theme was based on the idea that a person should discover his own particular talent and do his best to develop it. Each ward enacted a short scene. Middlesbrough and Gateshead showed the most promising performances, especially with their singing. At the end of the evening the audience joined with the cast in singing one of the songs from the show.

★ At a farewell for Melvyn and Pauline Brown, NEWCASTLE saints presented them with a delightful lampshade, in appreciation for their work in the Ward M.I.A. They will still be able to keep in touch as the Brown's are moving into the Sunderland Ward area.

NORTH SHIELDS has joined forces with the NEWCASTLE saints twice recently for activities. On the first occasion it was for an evening of indoor sports in the cultural hall, and then they met at King Edwards Bay, Tyemouth for a beach party of games, good food and singing around a camp fire.

In order to raise funds for the ward budget, Pat Prenergast organised car washing at 2/6d. a time. The young people have worked hard and it looks as though the experiment will be a great success, as £7 was earned during the first two weeks.

★ There was plenty to eat at a barbecue organised by the PETERLEE M.I.A. at the site of their new chapel. The weather was fine and members and non members spent a really wonderful evening together.

* Taking advantage of the fact there were no M.I.A. lessons in August, the CONSETT Branch members organised an outing to Stanley Zoo, and on another evening a picnic at Alan's Ford. On both occasions much fun was had by all. But they have also been working hard for the branch budget by holding a Jumble Sale, and later in the month a Pie and Pea Supper. After the supper, slides were shown of England, Ireland, Switzerland and California.

NORTH BRITISH MISSION YOUTH HOLD CAMP ON AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND

★ The second Youth Aaronic Camp this year was held by the WEST HULL Branch at Poul Syke, North Yorkshire Moors. A total of eighteen brethren attended with boys from East Hull and Scarborough Branch joining them in such activities as hiking to the rugged Yorkshire coast five miles from camp and recreational events of rugby etc. The Sabbath was observed very carefully and reverently with Priesthood, Testimony and Sacrament Meetings.

After a cold wet week, the campers were blessed with dry, sunny weather, which they also experienced at their first camp at Whitsuntide, The camp leader was Dennis Sanderson, and the lads suffered little with Paul E. Knott as

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West Hull Youth Aaronic Priesthood Explore the Yorkshire Moors

West Hull Youth Aaronic Priesthood Camp.



cook. Those who attended certainly gained a testimony of how these activities help to develop the youth.

★ BURNLEY Branch are at present building their chapel and it should be finished by December. They would like it to be dedicated as soon as possible, so they have set themselves the task of raising £700 in 16 weeks . . . or approx £45 per week. The Relief Society have agreed to raise £100, and they

will do this by means of Jumble sales, and a special Dinner in October.

Others are feverishly selling Christmas Cards, ball-point pens, or encouraging others to save 3d. bits in Smartie tubes, and all coppers left in their pockets at the end of the day.

Others are collecting waste paper and delivering it to the local paper works. With such enthusiasm we feel sure that they will make their target.

★ BLACKPOOL Branch ensured that their M.I.A. got off to a good start when they organised a "Trip to the Moon" for their opening social. The trip was completed with pilot, stewardesses, and crash helmets for everyone. They played games, sang songs, and danced before some very tasty food was provided to round off an excellent evening.

** Relief Society sisters from the BEVERLEY Branch have been busy collecting jumble for a sale which they held on Sept 6th. Approx £20 was raised which will go towards the branch budget. Elsie Fenwick organised the event, and collected jumble from "all quarters".

★ Priesthood and missionaries of the EAST HULL Branch have been busy decorating the homes of two families in their spare time. Their labours have been greatly appreciated in times of need.

★ On the night of Sept 6th, tents arose out of the ground at Higher Riley Farm, in Accrington Lancs. The Priesthood Camp run by the PRESTON District Y.M.M.I.A. and the Aaronic Priesthood Committee was beginning. The first night's activity consisted mainly of preparing and eating supper. Exhausted by this, the participants were soon ready to retire to bed. Reveille sounded at 6.30 a.m. on the Saturday, and after breakfast the programme commenced.

The campers hiked approximately four miles to warm up, and then pronounced themselves ready to indulge in such activities as 5-a-side football, athletics etc. After lunch a "commando course" was launched (for those still vertical). The course itself is too detailed to be

described, but one cannot help feeling that it was entirely organised by an ex-R.S.M. with a grudge against the world.

After this "exercise" there were still those ready to partake of more gruelling punishment in the form of more volleyball, football, etc.

Upon arrival back at the camp, there was a study session, which meant that half an hour's peace descended on the countryside, to the relief of the locals. Saturday was rounded off by a well enjoyed barbeque. Throughout the Sunday, the campers attended services at the Accrington Branch, and in the evening a fireside was held at the home of Bro. Hardy, who owns the farm, and very kindly allowed his land to be used for the camp.

Monday was dispersal day, as everyone went home to rest their weary limbs. This was a weekend to be remembered, and there were many walking sticks on hand to prove it!

SCUNTHORPE Branch choose Clumber Park, Nottinghamshire, which is part of Sherwood Forest, for their Sunday School outing in August. The morning was gloomy but the saints were optimistic and were rewarded with bright sunshine. They had an enjoyable day playing cricket, rounders and football, then at 4 p.m. just as they were starting for home there was a heavy downpour of rain.

★ Ninety children and adults travelled in two motor coaches to Fleetwood, near Blackpool for the PRESTON District Primary Outing in August. It was a beautiful day and the smaller children were soon playing in the sand with their buckets and spades.

Alice Vernon, the District Primary President and her counsellors were re-

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sponsible for all the arrangements and they had organised a wonderful programme.

Races took place on the beach and points were awarded, Rawtenstall Branch were the winners. There was a great deal of fun when adults were invited to take part in a sack race

and although there were several small casualties some competitors did finish the course! Later Bro. and Sis. Walker entertained the group with their guitars and everyone joined in community singing. As the outing took place on the anniversary of the organisation it was indeed a very special occasion.



Preston District Primary Children's Outing to Fleetwood.



Pres. Herbert Shorrock and His wife Dorothy taking part in the sack race.

★ August 19th found the children of the LIVERPOOL Branch waiting impatiently for the coach to take them on their annual outing. Although some had been at the chapel since the early hours the departure time was not scheduled till ten o'clock when Sister Jones took the roll call and then they were OFF.

By a little after eleven they were all settled on the Ainsdale shore, and as the weather was kind, many went bathing. One boy was pushed into the water to start the proceedings in the right way, from then on it was every man for himself! and the rules of the rounders game which followed were very bent indeed . . .

By six o'clock they were on their way back home, sunburnt and happy, with lots of hitherto undiscovered talent ready for the next sports event.

★ A Mission-wide Primary Convention was held in the SOUTHPORT Chapel under the direction of the Mission Primary President Dorothy Jennings. The theme was the need for careful teaching to the members of the Church, and the value of correct visual aids.

Liverpool District Pres. John Hender, himself the father of a small family, spoke on the theme, and Mary Fowler gave interest and useful advice in a music demonstration. The whole convention was a great help to those attending.

SEVENTIES UNIT FORMED IN THE LEICESTER STAKE

★ On the 15th September 1968, Elder Spencer W. Kimball of the Council of the Twelve, ordained Peter Bratt, Roger Beardsmore and Brlan Martin as Seventies, and set them apart as Unit Leader and Assistants in the new Seventies unit in the Leicester Stake.

Elder Kimball stressed the importance of this office and explained that it was an additional calling but was corelated with that of the Stake Mission Presidency in which these three young men are currently serving.

Peter Bratt of the Woodsetton Ward has been a member of the Church for nearly two years. He is married with 2 children and serves as the Stake Mission president. His first counselor is Roger Beardsmore of Nottingham Ward who joined the Church 4 years ago. Brian Martin, 2nd counselor, is from Eastwood Ward and has recently returned from a very successful mission in Finland.

It is expected that the Seventies Unit over which they have been called to preside will grow and other seventies will be ordained in the not too distant future.

Elder Kimball explained that the worthy priesthood Church desires bearers be accorded an opportunity to serve as Seventies, as thousands do in Quorums of Seventy organised elsewhere. The specific calling of the Seventy is that of missionary work and brethren worthy and recommended and who are also especially inclined to this particular calling, will be interviewed, sustained and ordained at future stake conferences held in Great Britain, Some Seventies were also ordained at the recent Glasgow Stake conference (a full report was not available at press time.)

LEICESTER STAKE

★ A crowd of saints enjoyed a very happy and energetic folk dance on Aug. 17th at the LEICESTER Chapel. The caller was Geoffrey Harris and dancing was generally to lively records, but occasionally to the sole accompaniment of exuberant vocalists.

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These happy-go-lucky brothers and sisters proved that if you want to make acquaintances, this is definitely the best form of dancing. Though weary and footsore at the end of the evening, they all agreed that it had been a first class occasion.

★ The Stake Primary Dance was also held at the Leicester Chapel on Sept. 14th when the hall was made very gay with decorations provided by each primary which had illustrated a nursery rhyme. One even provided a real tree for "I had a little Nut Tree".

A band played for dances to suit all tastes, and during the interval there were songs from a Leicester singing group and from Margaret Bowcutt. Elder and Sister Spencer W. Kimball attended and later commented how much they had enjoyed it, adding that it was the type of dance the Prophet would approve of.

★ EASTWOOD Ward had an evening singing round a camp fire recently, and later about 125 people attended a concert in aid of the Ward Building Fund. George Stephenson proved an able master of ceremonies, and he also sang a solo. Other songs came from the M.I.A. primary children, Singing Mothers and the New Mission-aires. Glenda Leach gave a monologue.

To swell the Homecoming Missionary Fund, a Bring and Buy Sale was held, and an assortment of useful articles were sold under the hand of Arthur Aldred.

To welcome their new Building Supervisor. Bro. R. Dent and his wife, and also Brian Martin recently returned from a two and half year mission in Finland, a social was held in the Eastwood Chapel. As well as games and dancing, there were music hall songs



Peter Bratt



Brian Martin



Roger Beardsmore

and skits. Flowers were presented to the guests of honour by 18 month old Gillian Martin.

IRISH MISSION

GROUND BROKEN FOR ANOTHER NEW CHAPEL IN NORTHERN IRELAND

★ On July 29th 1968, on the 128th anniversary of the first baptism performed in Ireland, ground was broken for the ROSETTA Chapel on 22 Anadale Avenue, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Ground Breaking ceremonies commenced at 7.30 p.m. under the direction of Mission Pres. Theron M. Ashcroft, Pres. Sheils of the ROSETA Branch conducted the meeting.

Four gaily decorated spades used at the ground-breaking of the previously built chapels in Belfast, Portadown and Londonderry were again brought into action. Pres. Ashcroft turned the first spadeful, then came Pres. William Stewart, representing the Belfast District presidency, Pres. Sheils, Elder Barber, building supervisor followed by Pres. Stewart.

Short talks were given by all of these brethren encouraging the members to support the building programme to its completion. The event was featured in the local press.

After the ceremonies were over, the 150 members joined together for an outdoor Family Home Evening picnic at the chapel site.

LONDON STAKE, BRITISH SOUTH MISSION AND LEICESTER STAKE JOIN TOGETHER FOR Y.W.M.I.A. CAMP

A total of 53 attended the Y.W.M.I.A. camp held Aug. 26/31 at Lathkill Dale, Derbyshire. After their successful camp last year, the London Stake and British South Mission decided to join together again this year, and they also invited Leicester Stake Four members of Sunderland Stake and three girls from Lincoln Branch in the Central British Mission also attended.

The camp was held in a field beside Kirtland Cottage which is maintained by Bro. and Sis. Hezseltine as a centre for Church camps.

A varied programme occupied the campers each day, there were hikes and rambles (including "moonlight" hikes on the first and last nights), minor games and potted sports, a treasure hunt, and a full programme of Campcrafter activities. Qualification was given in all four levels of the Campcrafter programme, and everyone present who was eligible, qualified in some part, including Sis. Elizabeth Cherrington of Reading Branch, the grandmother of Ruth Bartlett, who also attended.

The Yearlings learned how to tie knots, toast marshmallows a golden brown, administer first aid, and many other things. The Mountaineers lashed useful articles for the camp and taught new camp songs. The one Inspirator made a tin-can barometer and a collection of leaves, and was responsible for conserving the beauty of the camp site.

The Adventurers went on an arduous hike with map and compass, helped as camp leaders, and lit a fire without matches. Terry Guilliford of St. Albans Ward, London Stake, is believed to be the first girl in the country to achieve all four levels of the Campcrafter pro-

gramme by working at one level each of the four years at camp.

On the last evening of camp a special activity was held on the theme "M.I.A. International". Each unit had a chosen nationality and the programme included Japanese dancing, Arabian Snakecharming, Scottish history and a dramatic Austrian tale. After an "international" supper, testimony meeting was held in a sheltered sheepfold beside the camp field. For the first time, the night sky was clear and beautiful-it made an ideal setting for a wonderful uplifting meeting where even the youngest girl bore testimony of the Gospel. The spirit of love and fellowship demonstrated was very great. The meeting was a fitting climax to a wonderful week.

The camp was organised by Pauline Dogget of London Stake, Cyndy Davies of Leicester Stake and Hilda Graham of British South Mission.

MANCHESTER STAKE CHANGES IN THE ASHTON/OLDHAM WARD

★ Bishop Ernest Preston of ASHTON/ OI.DHAM was released from office on Sept 15th, with a vote of thanks for the work he has performed during the 6½ years he has served in this calling.

During this time, a new chapel has been erected and paid for, at Peterdale Road, Crowhill Estate, Ashton-under-Lyme, the attendance at Sunday School and Sacrament meeting has more than doubled, a Cub Troop has been formed and registered, and arrangements are almost completed for the commencement of a Scout Troop. Bishop Preston has now been called as a member of the Manchester Stake High Council.

The new bishop is Brian Ashworth who was previously a member of the High Council. He is 36 years of age, married with 3 children and is in business as a Haulage Contractor. At the



Ground breaking at Rosetta Branch.



Ernest Preston at his desk when first called as a Bishop in Glasgow Stake.

time of going to press the names of his counselors had not been announced and full details will be given in the next issue.

★ On Sept 7th a Teachers' Seminar was organised by the members of the Stake Relief Society board, the theme of which was "Better Gospel Teaching Makes for Better Gospel Living". All who attended were inspired and uplifted by the instruction given by Elizabeth McCormack, Sandra Viner, Mary Boswell and Isabelle Gordon.

As an added attraction each of the wards and branches were asked to participate in an extra special Food Display, and this was entitled "Culinary Cornucopia". The sisters were all encouraged to use their most attractive recipes in making their table the most colourful and decorative. Over 200 sisters participated in this project.

The displays were judged by Kathleen McCormack, R.S. president of the Falkirk Branch, and Pauline King her first counselor. These two sisters expressed their difficulty in choosing a

winner, but finally awarded first place to the Middleton Branch. Everyone was overjoyed with this result, because Middleton have very few active sisters in Relief Society.

★ Doreen Preston, wife of Ernest Preston, was sustained as Relief Society president of the Manchester Stake on Sept. 22nd. She previously served as second counselor to Pres. Maureen Hoyle for the past 4½ years, and prior to that as sec/treasurer under the presidency of Dorothy Thorpe.

CENTRAL BRITISH MISSION ELDER JOHN LONGDEN TOURS MISSION AND DEDICATES TWO CHAPELS

★ Elder John Longdon, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve, toured many of the missions and stakes in the British Isles recently, holding public meetings and dedicating chapels; he was accompanied by Sister Longden.

As a point of interest Elder Longden is the only one of the present General Authorities who was born outside the United States, he was in fact born in Oldham, Lancashire and his family emigrated to Utah when he was 10 years old.

On this tour he visited the British, South West British, Irish and Central British Missions and assisted in the re-organisation of the Glasgow Stake. His schedule was very crowded and while in the Central British Mission he dedicated the Worcester Chapel on 9th September, spoke and sang at public meetings on the 10th/11th/12th at Woodsetton, Newcastle-under-Lyme and Nottingham, then dedicated the Northhampton Chapel on the Friday.

The Northampton chapel was filled to capacity and Elder Longden thrilled the congregation when he sang "Bless this



Elder John Longden speaking at the dedication of the Northampton Chapel.

House". The beautiful spirit was further enhanced by the singing of the District Choir under the direction of Audrey Rogers, with Glenda Adams as organist. Many tributes were paid and speakers included Branch Pres. Michael Wade, Building Supervisor Kendall Adams, Dis. Pres. Arthur Turvey, and Mission Pres. George I. Cannon.

★ An "Auction" jumble sale was held in the Banbury Town Hall on Aug .24th to raise money to clear Banbury's commitment on the Northampton chapel before it was dedicated. Branch Pres. Brian Heath and Roy Chase alternately auctioned the successful sale which brought in £20.

Off to a fun and colourful start was the M.I.A. opening social on Sept. 4th.

The theme was "Circus" and the room was gaily decorated accordingly with red and white streamers, a life sized painted clown and lots of balloons. Games were played and refreshments served

★ Just prior to the schools re-opening for the Autumn term, the HFREFORD Primary held their annual picnic. Travelling only a short distance to the outskirts of the city, to a delightful spot on the banks of the River Lugge, the children accompanied by members of the branch presidency, Primary and M.I.A. leaders spent a very happy afternoon in the river and playing games in the adjacent fields. A tired but happy bunch of children were delivered safely back to their parents at the end of the day.

September is always a month of "Opening Socials" and the Relief Society presented an original play written by a sister in the Worcester Branch. The play was enjoyed by the non-participating priesthood and their friends, who later joined with the actresses in attacking the table loaded down with many delicacies prepared, yet again, by the hard working sisters.

The theme for the M.I.A. social was "Queen for the Night" and as Hilda Jones, member of the R.S. presidency was celebrating her birthday on that particular night, she was crowned Queen. With all due ceremony, the surprised sister was presented with a birthday cake by Y.W. Pres. Audrey Prosser, and a bouquet of flowers by Rosemary Davies. The coronation ceremony was carried through by Geoffrey Boucher, Y.M. superintendent

★ To help boost the branch budget members of the Relief Society held a Jumble Sale at the Greenland Hall, Hereford. Quite a satisfactory return of £13 1s. 6d. was collected and it was decided to hold another sale in October.

SCOTTISH MISSION

★ AYR Branch held an outdoor social on the beach beneath Greenan Castle on Aug. 23rd. The members were playing rounders so enthusiastically that they almost missed watching the beautiful sunset over Arran. Hot dogs were grilled over an open fire and marshmallows were toasted before the participants took a long short cut across the fields in the dark and just managed to catch the last bus home.

★ About 300 members and friends attended the dedication of the DUMFRIES

Chapel on Sept 8th. Elder Spencer W. Kimball of the Council of the Twelve was the visiting official and he addressed the congreation before offering the dedicatory prayer.

District Pres. Ronald Lovell conducted the service and other speakers included former Branch Pres. William Ireland, Mission Pres. Egbert J. Brown, and Archibald Richardson, former Glasgow Stake president. Musical numbers were by Janet Creigton who sang "My Testimony", and Reginald Beales played "Canzonetta" by Tchaikowski on the violin.

** KILMARNOCK District M.I.A. held a "Hobo Weekend" on the 9th/10th Aug. at GREENOCK. The weekend started with a game of "putting" at the local course after which they returned to the chapel for supper consisting of "Sloppy Joes", butterscotch pudding and Hawiian Punch.

The next morning a sunrise service was held up in the hills, then Branch Pres. Nyal Rydalch had a pancake breakfast waiting for them. A hike over the hills and glens in glorious weather came next, and the weekend ended with a meal in the hills. Everyone then returned to their homes, hoping that the idea would be repeated again next year.

Two Primaries from the district held a concert in the KILMARNOCK Chapel on Aug. 31st. The GREENOCK Branch presented a musical skit centred on "My Grandmother's Old Fashioned Garden", and KILMARNOCK Primary performed "The Children's Friend Festival". All those participating enjoyed themselves as much as the audlence, and after the show and fun-songs there were refreshments for all.

The Lihoma Girls from the District held their Lihoma Holiday on 24th Aug.

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It was a beautiful day when they set out for Loudoun Castle, near Galston, where they were greeted by Lady Jean Campbell the owner. Permission was given to build camp fires and the girls set about collecting firewood. When the fire was burning brightly they played hall games and sang fun-songs. The menu for the day was roast potatoes, sausages and beans. Unfortunately the potatoes and sauages became burnt offerings, but luckily one of the teachers had come prepared in case of such a calamity with a pile of sandwiches. These were eaten with the beans and followed by cake and biscuits.

A competition was held on the work that the girls had completed during their Lihoma year. The winners were Mary Jane Stubbington, who had crocheted a necklet and Rosalind Stubbington who embroidered a cloth. A quiz then followed which was won by Gail and Debbie Topp, twins from the Ayr Branch and each girl received a prize.

After this the girls went up to the castle to see Lady Jean. Loudoun Castle is a ruin and she wouldn't allow them into it at first, but she told some of it's history, then she relented and allowed the party in but made them promise to be very careful. When they had finished their hunting they came out to see Lady Jean herding some ducks, a scene which the girls enjoyed. Time had gone all too quickly and they had to return home, but each one carried memories of a most enjoyable day.

While the girls were at Loudoun Castle, the boys from the district were enjoying their "Trailbuilder Roundup" in the Dumfriesshire Hills. They met at Kilmarnock Chapel and then set out for the hills, where they had amost enjoyable day hiking, playing games etc.

GLASGOW STAKE

★ When GLASGOW Stake provided the winners of the Under 16 5-a-side football at the All British Athletic finals at Manchester it was for the second year running. Springfield Ward represented the Stake in this event this tyear, and Drumchapel Ward provided the team which won the over 16 final at Manchester in 5-a-side football, also their Volleyball team took the Championship. They don't want to boast but in the past three years they have the remarkable record of winning at Pontin in 1966, being runners-up in last years All British Finals and then winning again this year. . . They must put something special in the porridge up there! Well done Glasgow.



Springfield Ward, under 16 five-a-side football team.

★ Forty M.I.A. Leaders from the stake met at Bellahouston Sports Centre on the morning of Aug. 31st for the begining of their first Leadership Seminar. Instruction was at top level, with Scottish Internationalists in basketball and netball coaching separate groups of young men and women. In the afternoon they moved over to the Ibrox

Baths where instruction on "How to teach Swimming" was given.

An executive session took place on the Sunday, followed by a testimony meeting. The leaders then returned to their homes, sorry that the wonderful weekend was over, but anxious to impart their knowledge to their own wards and branches.

SOUTHWEST BRITISH MISSION

★ On the recent Bank Holiday Monday the Somerset District went on a coach tour to Chepstow, Symonds Yat and the Wye Valley. The weather was beautiful and the trip was enjoyed by all. The organisation was in the hands of Bro. Frankland Gilbert of the Weston-super-Mare branch.

PRIMARY

★ The Somerset District Primary play was held at Street. This was a very successful event and Sis. Mary Allen, District Primary president, her counselors and the branch officers were congratulated by the district presidency for

providing a wonderful day.

The programme started with community singing led by Sis. Mary Jones, of the Weston-super-Mare Branch. This was followed by sports organised by Pres. Charles Jones of the district presidency and tea, which included enough ice cream to satisfy both children and adults.

District Pres. Norman T. Woodhead led the grand parade of children and teachers in fancy dress.

During the day Pres. Derrick Ireland of the Mission presidency and Sis. Mary Nolam, of the Mission Primary Board, judged the arts contest, the singing and the story telling competitions. Yeovil Branch won the arts and story telling shields and Weston the singing and sports shields. Finally, Yeovil were presented with the mission cup as overall winners with the most points.

CAMP

Vistrict Primary president, her counelors and the branch officers were congratulated by the district presidency for the Aaronic Priesthood with a camp at



Somerset District members before boarding coach to tour Wye Valley on the the Bank Holiday Monday.



"Big Eats" at Somerset District Primary Play Day.

Weston-super-Mare. Camp activities included hiking, rock climbing and a football match. The week-end was organised by Pres. Kenneth Fulfit of the district presidency assisted by Bro.

Edgar Dry of Yeovil. Principle speaker at the special commemorative service on Sunday evening was Bro. Richard Mortimer of the Mission Aaronic Priesthood Board.



Yeovil Branch Primary children all dressed up for the grand parade on the Primary Play Day.

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CONGRATULATIONS BIRTHS

★ June 1st—To John and Zandra Lee, Scunthorpe Branch, North British Mission, a son, Adrian James.

★ June 19th—To Albert and Ellen Perkins, Woodsetton Ward, Leicester Stake, a daughter Julie.

★ June 27th—To Tony and Valerie Brown, Wednesfield Branch, Leicester Stake, a daughter Victoria Louise.

★ July 13th—To George and Betty Meek, Rugby Branch, Central British Mission, a daughter, Sandra Elizabeth.

★ July 15th—To Peter and Daphne Monks, Bracknell Branch, British South Mission, a son, Brent Jason Hughes.

★ July 26th—To Jeff and Pauline Armstrong, (formerly Middlesborough Ward Sunderland Stake) at Red Deer, Alberta, Canada, a son, Scott Lee.

★ July 27th—To David and Paulette Griffiths, Wednesfield Branch, Leicester Stake, a daughter, Maria Jane.

★ July 29th—To Joyce Dunkeley, South Birmingham Ward, Leicester Stake, a son, Mark.

★ August 1st—To Brian and Janet Nettleton, Woodsetton Ward, Leicester Stake, a daughter Ruth.

★ August 7th—To Keith and Rosie Stevenson, Wednesfield Branch, Leicester Stake, a daughter Elizabeth Ann.



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★ August 20th—To John and Florence Bond, Woodsetton Ward, Leicester Stake, a daughter Rebecca Carol.

★ September 11th—To John and Diane Madsen, (formerly of Salt Lake City) Nottingham Ward, Leicester Stake, a daughter Lisa.

MARRIAGES

★Bishop Harold Marshall performed the cermony when his son Craig Lithgow Marshall and Barbara Ann Appleby were married at the Middlesbrough Chapel on Aug. 17th. The groom's sister and the brides three sisters acted as bridesmaids and the bride's little brother was page boy. Barbara made her own dress of satin with a lace coatee and long train, and those of the bridesmaids which were in pink satin.

★ Diana Rock formerly of Mitcham Branch was married to Edward G. Kelly, of London, Ontario, in the Manti Temple on Aug. 22nd.

* Two members of different nationalities, both with the same surname were married at Northampton Chapel on Aug. 31st. Peggy Golding from Salt Lake City and Michael Golding of Northampton. And this was not the only coincidence! Sister Golding taught Bro. Golding and introduced him to the Church when she was here as a missionary last year. She was attended by her former missionary companion Edith Baumann, and was given away by Bro. Heath from Newcastle, Barrie Beardsmore was best man. The groom's parents and relatives, and many friends and members attended the ceremony, and the reception held in the cultural hall afterwards.

★ On Sept. 6th, the wedding of Alexander Keenan and Mary Smith took

place in the Ayr Chapel, performed by Branch Pres. Alan Topp. The chapel was filled, mostly by non-members who were obviously impressed by the service and the building, which was decorated with lovely displays by R.S. Pres. Jean Roberts. The reception was held in an Ayr Hotel and the couple went to the Isle of Man for their honeymoon. Agnes Smith acted as bridesmaid, and William Littlejohn was best man.



Charles and Josie Joseph of the Wembley Branch, leaving the Hyde Park Chapel, after their wedding Sept. 7. Pres. R. Askew of the Wembley Branch, conducted the service.

OBITUARIES

★ We regret to announce the deaths of Ian McDermatt of Leicester Ward, aged 16 years. He was struck by a car and killed as he was returning to his home one evening.

Donna Marie Wynne, aged 8 weeks, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Wyne of Chester Branch, Central British Mission. She died of pneumonia on Sept. 12th, and the funeral took place at her home on Sept. 17th. Pres. R. W. Roberts conducted the service and the interment was in Bruera Cemetery.

Bro. Townsend of the East Hull Branch on July 17th.

OBITUARY

★Mary Beatrice Jones aged 71 years, died at the Edgware Hospital on August 18th. She was a member of the Swansea Branch, but was lovingly cared for by members of the Wembly Relief Society from January 10th until June 3rd when she was admitted to the hospital.

A simple and moving funeral service conducted by Pres. Askew was attended by friends and relatives on August 21st at Ruislip Crematorium.



ELDERS FOR SEPTEMBER

SEARLE, Malcolm Ronald—Mitcham Branch
BALDWIN, Issac Arthur—Kingston Branch
WHITAKER, Peter John—Worthing Branch
BROWNLESS, Terence Michael—High Wycombe Branch
ATKINS, James Henry—Staines Branch
WILLIS, John Albert—Reading Branch
HUMPHREY, William Charles—Aldershot Branch
REVELL, David Raymond—Reading Branch
ALDRED, Philip—Eastwood Ward, Leicester Stake
FISHER, John—Birmingham Ward, Leicester Stake
ROBINSON, John Leslie—Birmingham Ward, Leicester Stake

Another Evidence Of The Book Of Mormon's Influence On Mankind

By Elder Gordon B. Hinckley

★In a stake conference, I heard an officer of the Air Force stand before the group and tell of the circumstances surrounding his coming into the Church. He said in substance:

"I had a date with a lovely young woman. When I called for her, I noticed on the table a copy of the Book of Mormon. I had never heard of it before. I began to read. I became interested. I secured a copy of the book and read it through.

"i had only the traditional idea of God and Jesus Christ. I had never given serious thought to the matter. But as I read this book there came into my mind light and understanding of eternal truths, and into my heart a testimony that God is our Eternal Father, and that Jesus is our Savlour."

I am confident that the experience of this man who was influenced by the Book of Mormon is similar to that of many others of our people.

If there are miracles among us, certainly one of them is this book. Unbelievers may doubt the First Vision and say there were no witnesses to prove it. Critics may scorn every divine manifestation incident to the coming forth of this work as being of such an intangible nature as to be unprovable to the pragmatic mind, as if things of God could be understood other than by



the spirit of God. They may .discount our theology. But they cannot in honesty dismiss the Book of Mormon. It is here. They can feel it. They can read it. They can weigh its substance and its content. They can witness its influence.

Faced with its presence, but unwilling to believe the story of its coming forth, they have sought an explanation for it, other than the one given by the Prophet that it was engraven on golden plates by ancient prophet-historians, and that

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their record was revealed and translated by the gift and power of God.

The Book of Mormon was first printed on a little hand-operated flat-bed press in a backwoods village of New York in the year 1830. From that first edition, while critics have published volume after volume in an effort to discredit the Prophet's story, the book has gone through one edition after another. From English it has ben translated into thirtyone other languages, and printed in twenty of these.

While its detractors have called it blasphemous, the work of a paranoic, the outpouring of a myth-maker, the result of a man's environment, the book has gone forth to change for good the lives of men and women in a score of nations. What a concourse of the people of the earth we would have if all of those who have read this book and been influenced by its message were gathered together in one place.

The same book which converted Brigham Young, Willard Richard, Orson and Parley Pratt, and many others of the early leaders of the Church, is also converting people in Germany, in the British Isles, in Finland, in Japan, in Tonga, and wherever else men and women are reading it prayerfully and



with real intent. The promise of Moroni, written in his loneliness, following the destruction of his people, is being fulfilled every day.

Each time we encourage a man to read the Book of Mormon we do him a favour. If he reads it prayerfully and with a sincere desire to know the truth, he will know by the power of the Holy Ghost that the book is true. And from that knowledge there will flow a conviction of the truth of many other things.

Answers to Biblical references on page 36.

- 1 Butter
- 2 Sugar
- 3 Honey
- 4 Eggs
- 5 Raisins
- 6 Figs

- 7 Almonds
- 8 Flour
- 9 Spices
- 10 Salt
- 11 Baking Powder
- 12 Milk

Members Have Responsibility To Learn The Principles Of The Gospel

By Elder Bruce R. McConkie

★ I take as a text these words which were dictated by the Holy Ghost to an inspired man in ancient Israel:

"The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.

"The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.

"The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

"More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb

"Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward." (Psalm 19:7-11.)

Now if I may be enlightened by the same Spirit that rested upon him who wrote these words, I would like to indicate the great compelling necessity, the overwhelming obligation, that rests upon us as members of this great latterday kingdom, to come to a knowledge of the law of the Lord, to know the doctrines of the Gospel, to understand the principles, requirements, and ordinances which we must comply with in order to be heirs of salvation in the Lord's kingdom.

We believe and advocate that every member of this Church should have a testimony of the divinity of the work; that he should know for himself, independent of any other person, that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and that salvation is in Him; that Joseph Smith is the agent and instrument through whom the knowledge of salvation has come again in our day; and that the mantle of the Prophet rests upon President David O. McKay at this time. By first gaining a testimony and then by being valiant in testimony, we can be neirs of salvation.

But no man can have a testimony of this work until he begins to get a knowledge of the Gospel. A testimony is based on knowledge; first a man must learn about God and his laws, and then by obedience to those laws he will gain a testimony. Jesus said, "... My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.

"if any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether i speak of myself." ((John 7:16-17.)

We believe that all members of this Church should be fully and completely converted, so much so that they are changed from natural and fallen state into saints of God, changed into a state where they have in their hearts desires for righteousness. By following such a course they are born again; they are renewed by the Spirit; they are in line for eternal salvation. But no one can attain unto such a state until he knows the laws that govern the process of being converted.

We believe that after we join this Church it is incumbent upon us to press forward in steadfastness and in devotion, living by every word that proceedeth forth from the mouth of God. desiring righteousness, seeking his Spirit, loving him with all our hearts, mights, minds and strength; and yet we cannot do any of these things until we first learn the laws which govern them. In the full Gospel sense, there is no such thing as living a law of which we are ignorant. We cannot worship a God of whom we know nothing, as far as gaining eternal life through that worship is concerned.

And so I think we have the obligation, the great underlying responsibility, to learn the doctrines of the Church so



that we will be able to serve in the kingdom, so that we will be able to carry the message of salvation to our Father's children, and so that we will be able to live in such a manner as to have peace and joy ourselves, and gain hope of glorious exaltation and eternal life.

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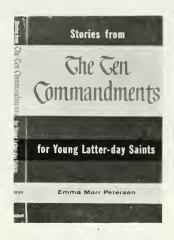
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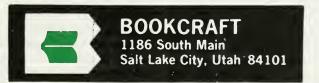
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Advice To Women



By Emma Ray Riggs McKay

★ Sister McKay has been a ray of sunshine and ray of hope to all who know her personally, and to all who glean strength from knowing her as the wife of the Prophet. No one could be more qualified to give advice on being a wife and mother than she whom we all admire. Through Joyous, sunny days and through days of shadows she has maintained her inner strength and won happiness.

Following are a few selections from a talk she gave to the Brigham Young

University women several years back, which have meaning to every Latter-day Saint woman:

ATTITUDE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE TOWARD EACH OTHER

There are many qualifications that a women should have to be a good wife and mother, but important is patience—patience with children's and husband's tempers, patience with their misunderstandings, with their desires, with their actions.

Even though girls associate with men in courtship, they do not understand men, which is one great cause for disagreement, heartache, and misunderstanding. If only women would understand that "Man's love is of man's life a thing apart, 'tis woman's whole existence."

Men are so different that it becomes woman's artful duty not only to study but also to adjust.

Peace in home is really woman's responsibility, and if wants happiness, she must work for it -yes, and pay for it, too-by being at all times kind, loving, self-sacrificing, ready to help, ready to serve, in fact, loving to do anything the head of the house desires because his desires are also hers. And she must always remember that wisdom in made up of nine-tenths silence and one-tenth brevity.

Gloom pushes people away from you. A sure way to bring gloom is to show that your feelings are hurt. You cannot live long with any human being and not have something come up to irritate you. "Offense we must expect. The question is what to do with it when it comes. And although we cannot help being hurt, what we can help is showing that we are hurt."

Nine times out of ten when "hubby" hurts our feelings, it has been unintentionally or without understanding of the wound he made, and if we will simply keep the harsh word unspoken, keep smiling, and go about our business, the whole matter will disappear. But if we fuss every time we are bruised, irritation begins, and the separating process goes on.

Another thing that causes irritability and quarreling is for the wife to criticize her husband. He cannot endure criticism. It stifles love. . . . With the

Latter-day Saint marriage comes the understanding that man with his priesthood will stand at the head of the family. Some women are not willing to take a subordinate position. . . . It is impossible to teach respect for authority if the husband is belittled before the children. If a man is worthy to be at the head of the household, a wife should respect him and help him as the head.

ATTITUDE OF PARENTS TOWARD CHILDREN

If the mother does not have obedience when the child is very young, two or three years of age, she is going to have much trouble as the child gets older.

Of all the ineffective ways of controlling children, threats are the most futile and harmful. . . . A child should be taught to do ordinary things as a matter of course without being bribed. . . . Children respond favorably to praise.

. . . Home is the place where the parents must lead out in obedience, honesty, fidelity, truthfulness, courage, true dignity, and courtesy. . . Treat all your children with equal affection. . . . Never deceive a child.

ATTITUDE OF CHILDREN TOWARD EACH OTHER

Amusement and fun are essential to peace in the home. Home should be made pleasant and agreeable. A silent home is a dull sad place, and leads to melancholy. Music is soul-inspiring, and no money is thrown away for musical instruments. . . . Many a mother nearly distracted by a fretfu! child has been able to soothe him by softly singing a song to him.

The art of rearing children peacefully and pleasantly is the art of becoming a child again, of growing up with them. of ignoble households, nor a joyful nation of unhappy homes."

London Stake Announces Changes In Stake Positions

★Several changes in positions within the London Stake were recorded at the recent quarterly conference at which Elder Spencer W. Kimballl of the Council of the Twelve, was the visiting General Authority.

Elder Kimball was accompanied by Sister Kimball and Pres. A. Ray Curtis, Regional representative of the Twelve, and LeGrand R. Curtis president of the Olympus Stake.

Released were:

William James Jolliffe from the high council, William Reginald Middleton, as assistant stake clerk; Merlin James Harris, stake mission president; and his counselors, Peter Sweeney, and John Steel Floyd; Peter Charles Boulter, stake YMMIA superintendent: Jack

McKeown, activity assistant superintendent and William Knott Shephard, age group assistant superintendent of the YMMIA.

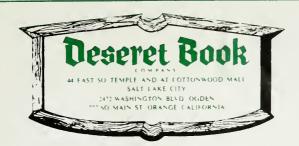
Sustained were:

Preston Hugh Nibley, and Colin Bruce Alfred Price, high councilmen. Bro. Nibley, is a son of the late Preston Nibley, assistant church historian and well known author of the Church. Bro. Price has been second counselor the past year in the Luton Ward bishopric.

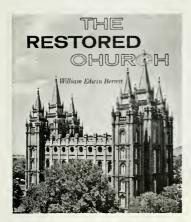
K. William Foote and Arthur Willmott as assistant stake clerks; Eric Cryer. stake mission president; William Knott Shephard, stake YMMIA superintendent; Jack McKeown, first assistant and John Snell, second assistant with Leonard Barker, secretary in the stake YMMIA.



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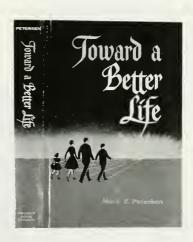
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